

# Test deployment of the $4\pi$ instrumentation unit

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...with many thanks to Kengo!

## *Nose under the (clean) tent*

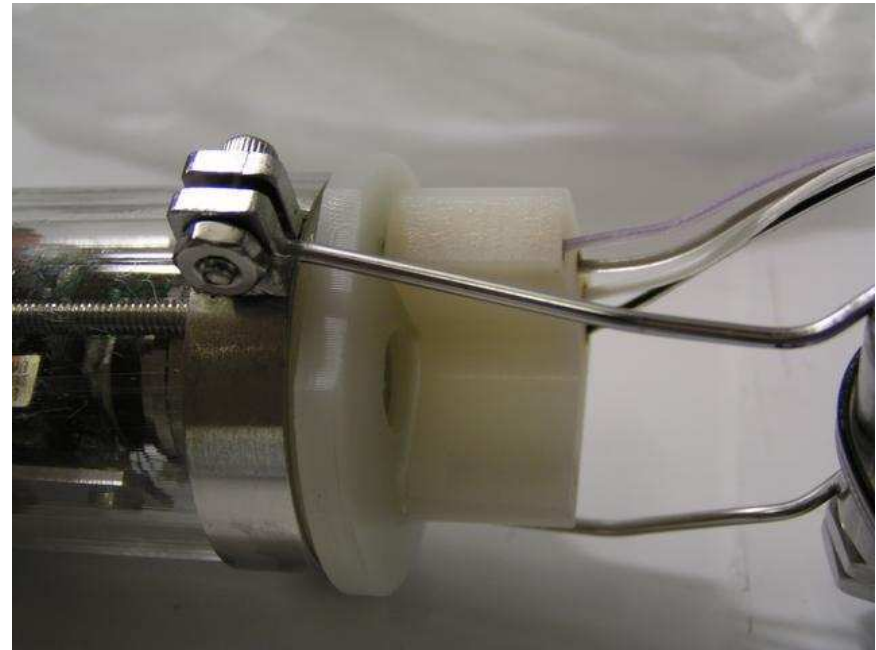


# *Instrumentation unit*



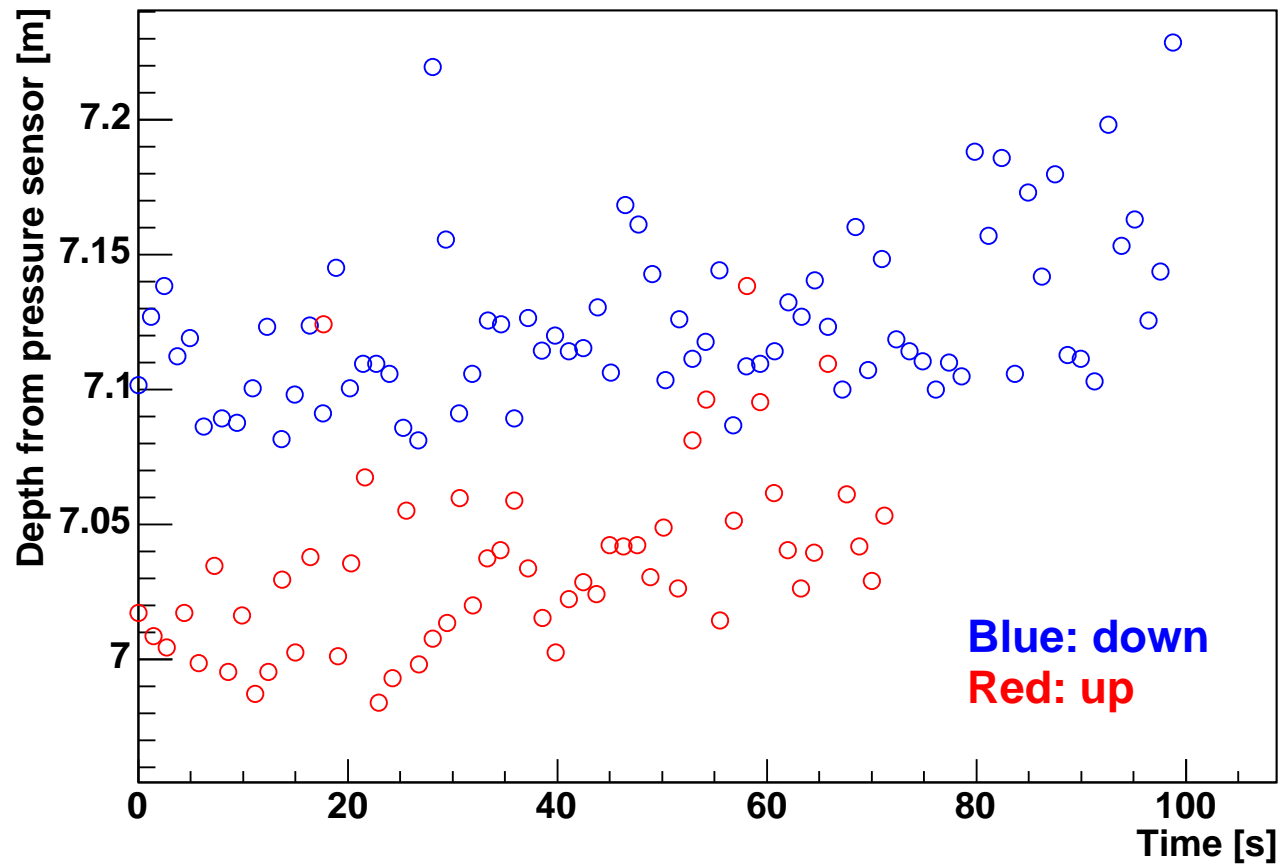
- ▶ Pressure sensor
  - ▶ Thermometer
  - ▶ Three-axis accelerometer
  - ▶ Two IR LEDs (830 nm)
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- ▶ Deployed to a depth of 18 m below the bottom of the glove-box in 1 m steps

## *Two early lessons*



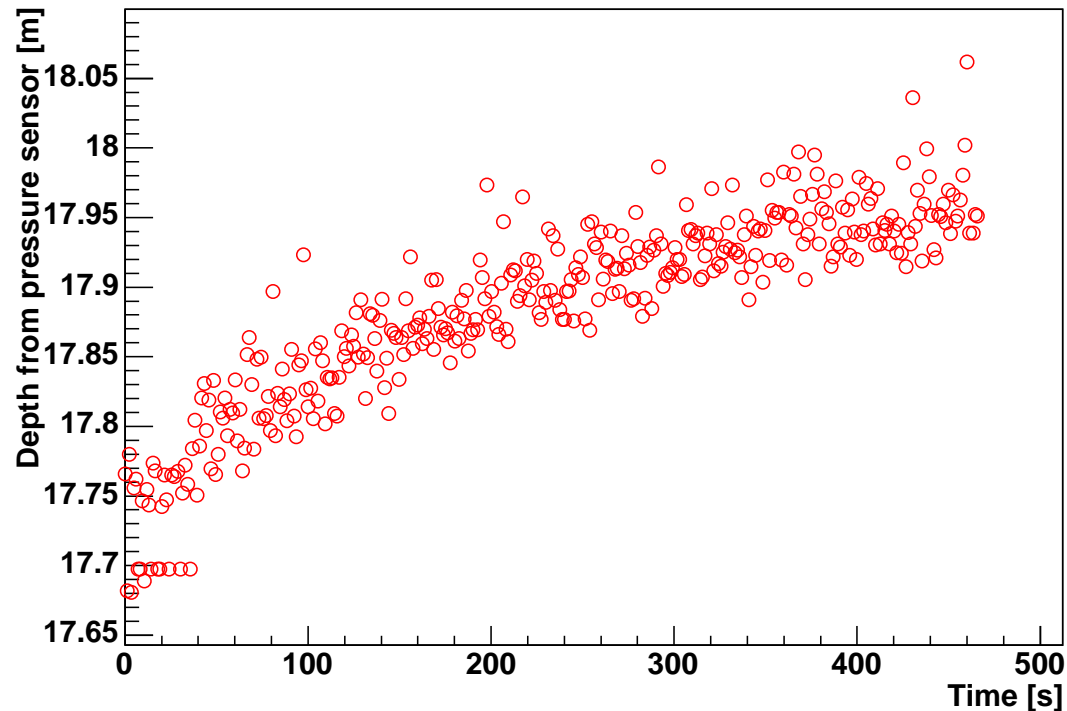
- ▶ Pressure test failure (January 2005)
- ▶ Connector thumbscrew mismatch

# Pressure sensor resolution



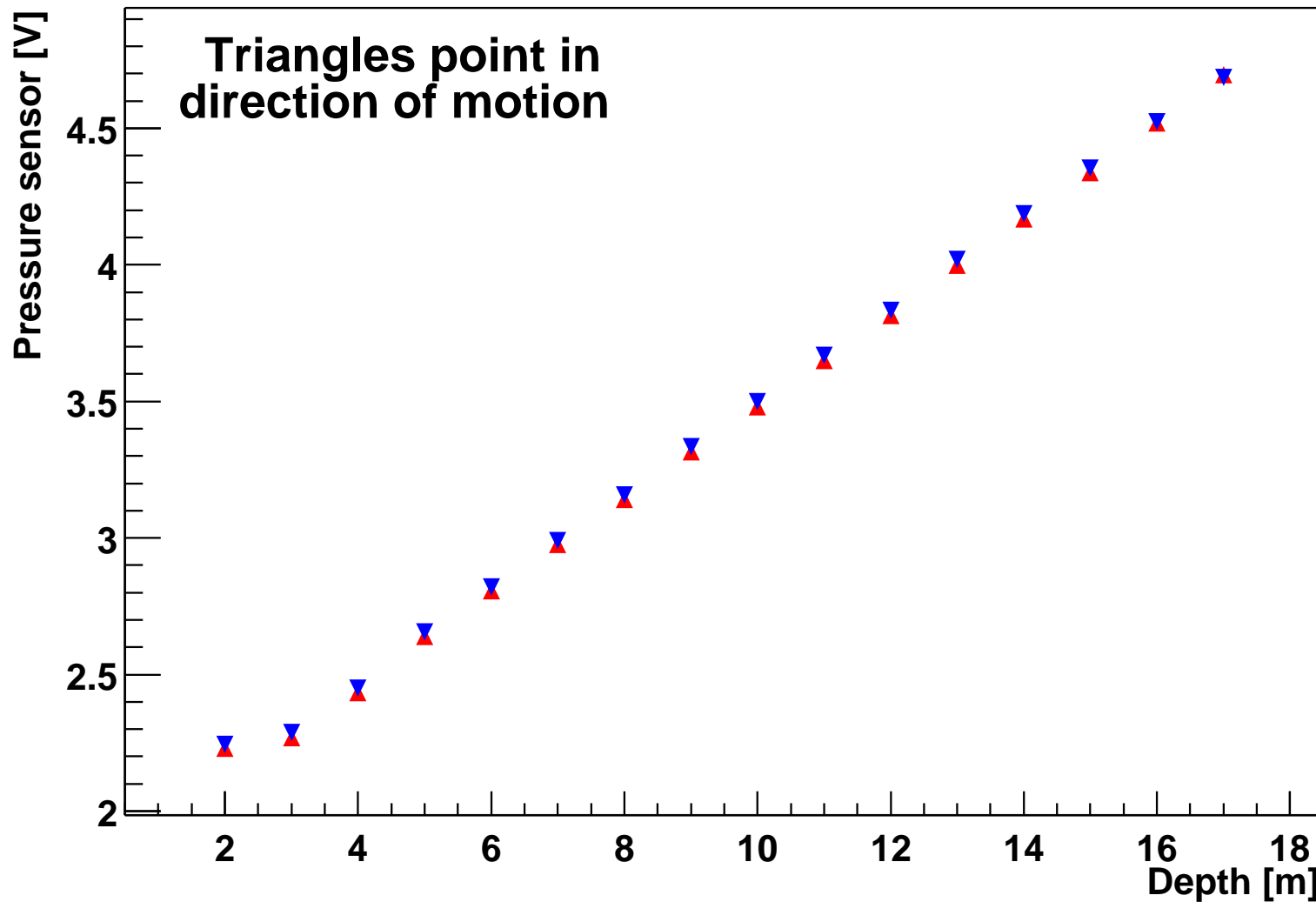
- ▶ RMS of single measurement  $\simeq 4$  cm
- ▶ 1 measurement per second; 0.5 cm in one minute

# *Pressure fluctuations from glovebox*

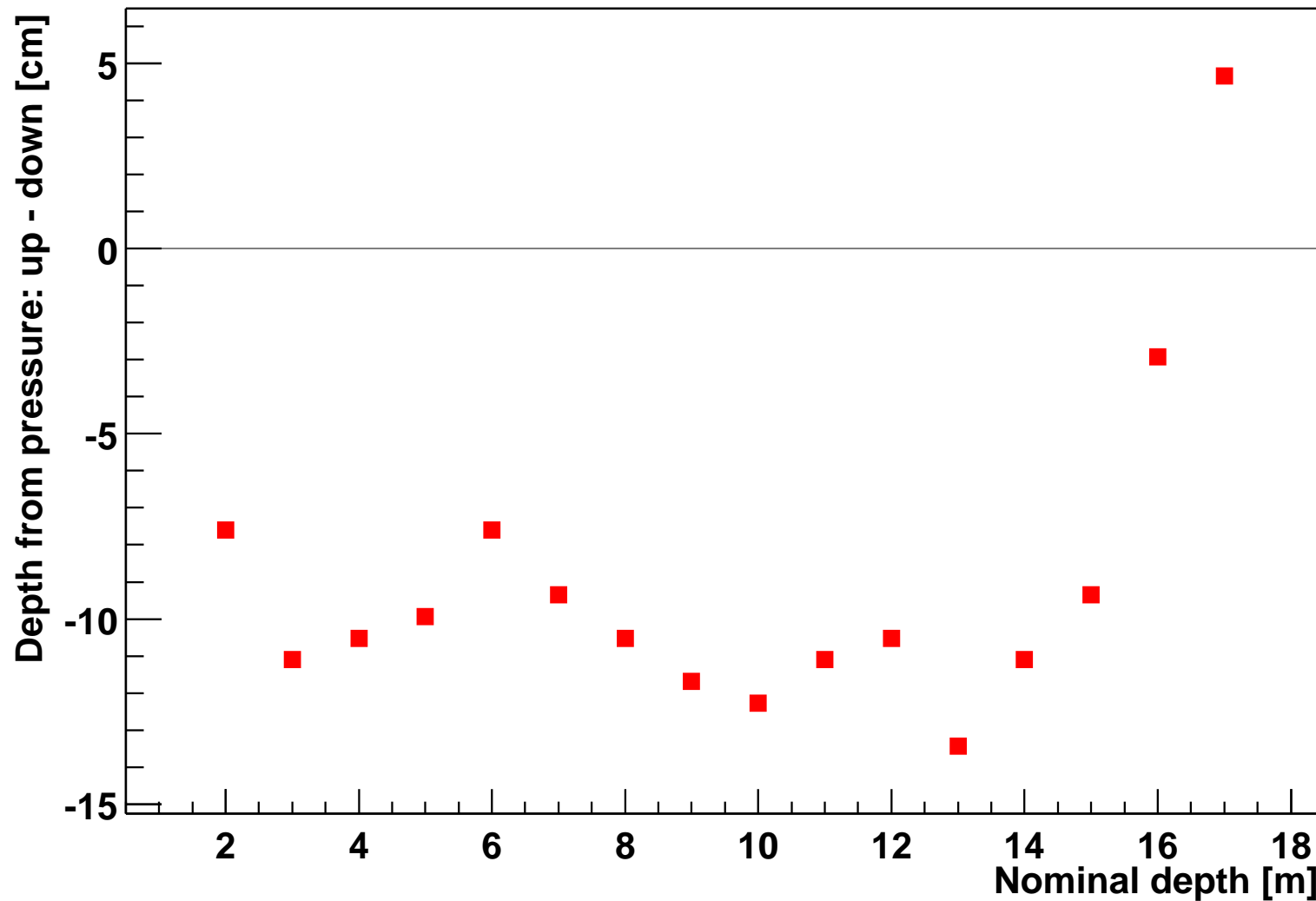


- ▶ Instantaneous “spike” followed by slow recovery to atmospheric pressure through glovebox leak.
- ▶ Need reference pressure sensor in glovebox.

## *Pressure: down vs. up*

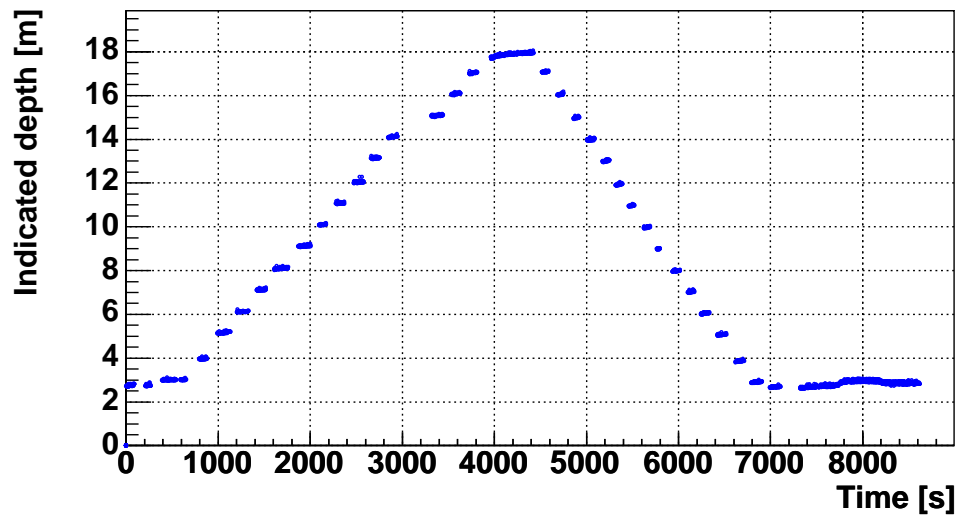
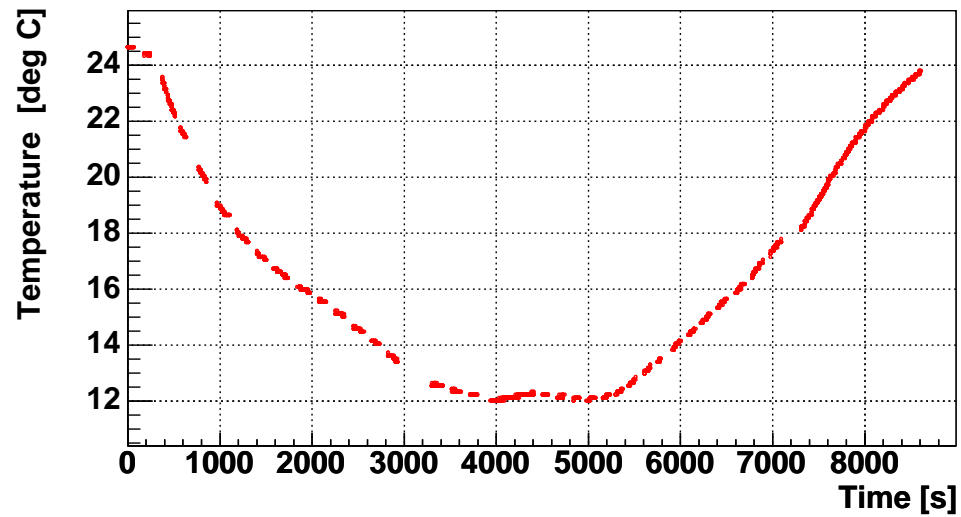


## *Difference in pressure: down vs. up*

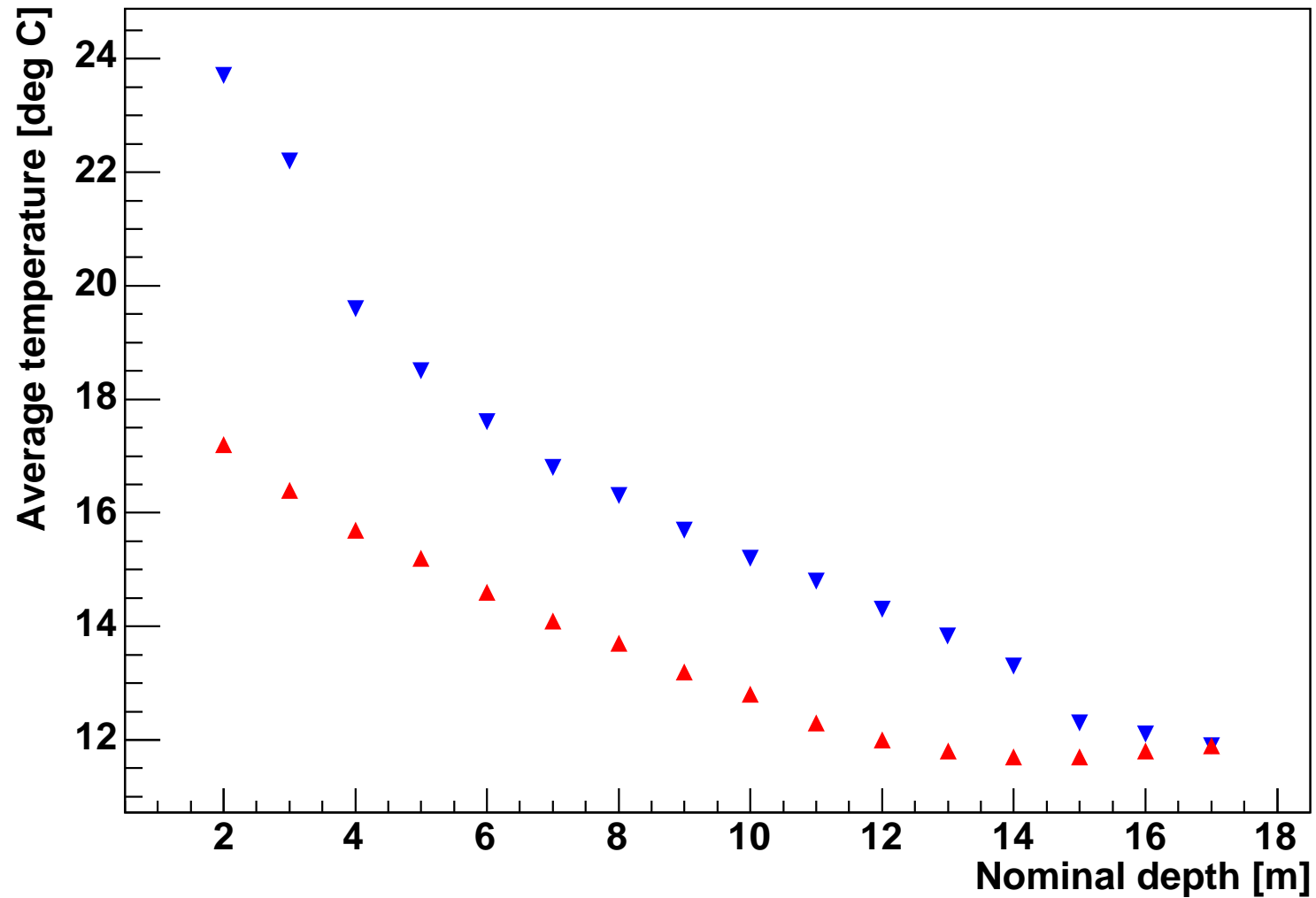




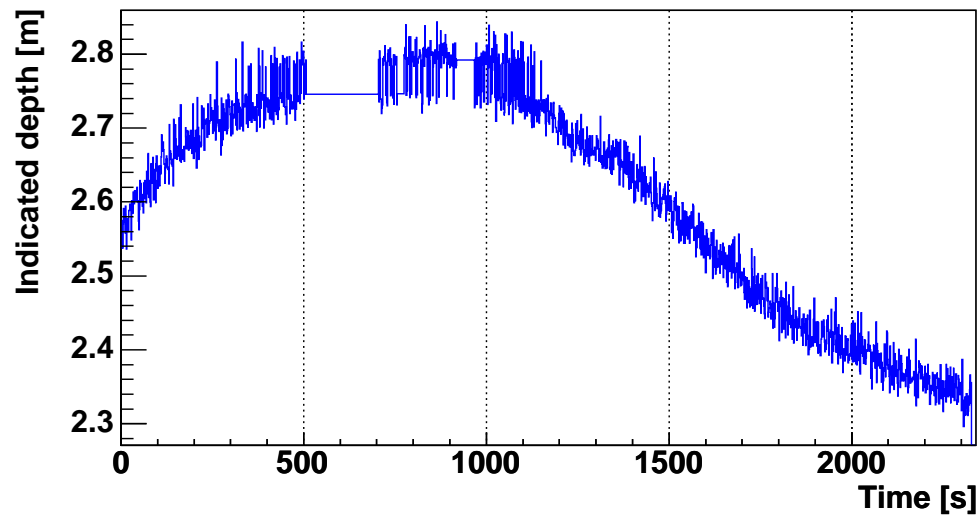
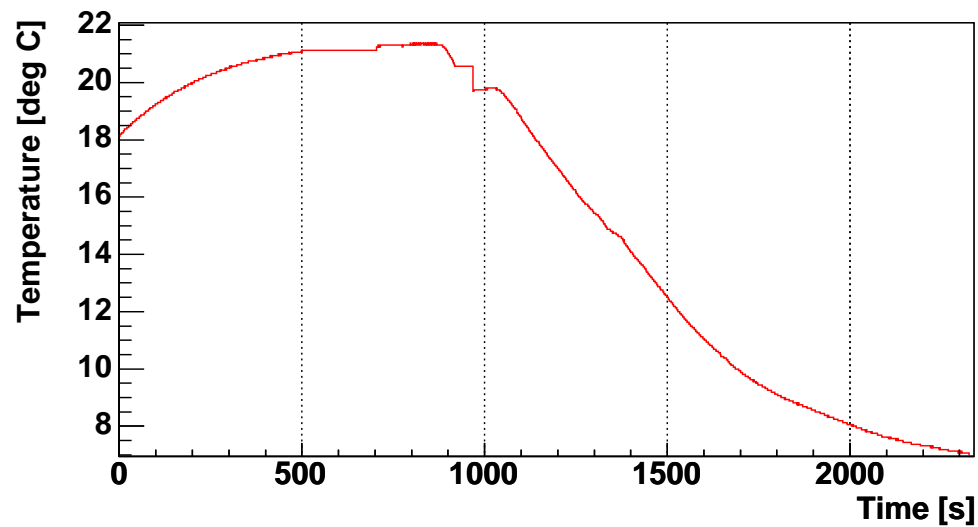
# Temperature profile



## *Mean temperature vs. depth*



# *Pressure vs. temperature in ice $H_2O$*



# Conclusion

By preparing for and carrying out this test deployment, we learned a number of lessons:

- ▶ Lucite enclosure made pressure-tight
- ▶ Problem with connector thumbscrew fixed
- ▶ Need for reference sensor in glovebox established
- ▶ Need for temperature correction established
- ▶ ...and, we found that the instrumentation unit basically works!

Again, these results would not have been possible without Kengo's help.